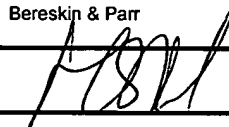


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This appears to be correct. The serial number of the PCT application was given as PCT/US02/15837. The correct serial number is PCT/US02/15387. The filing date of the correct PCT application was given, correctly, in the application data sheet as May 15, 2002; your office indicates the filing date on the Filing Receipt as May 17, 2002, and we can only assume that this date is the filing date for the '15837 application.

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